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Viewpoint

The 4th of July & Celebrations of Crimes Against Humanity

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

Day before yesterday there were celebrations throughout the US with fireworks at public places to the amusement of the children, to the unbridled pleasures of the few miserably rich holding depraved parties, and to sadistic thrill of Democrats and Republicans who take turns at the White House to worsen the plight of citizens at home and of people all over the world through sanctions, terrorism, wars and bloodshed.

To the average US citizen, however, whatever his/her colour of skin or social status, the 4th of July or the slogans of freedom, liberty, and independence associated with it, were meaningless.

The growing number of homeless persons all over the country had no reason to rejoice. Neither the day and its celebrations meant anything for black citizens of African origin, nor for the indigenous Americans who have been fortunate to survive the organized mass murders and genocide of the past 247 years since the 13 rebel colonies of New England founded the United States of America and then occupied the vast lands of the natives to the west before embarking overseas for enslaving the Hispanics and terrorizing the rest of the world.

To be frank, the so-called American Revolution that triumphed in a part of North America in 1783 with French help out of spite for the British, who did not care much for the rebellion of their own sons against the crown, since they were craftily pursuing bigger gains in faraway Subcontinent, was certainly not a war against colonialism, as it is made out to be.

Those who were rebelling against the British were themselves colonizers of North America and who by then itself were forcefully colonizing native American territories and later systematically massacred the Amerindians by destroying the culture, religion, and all other values of the indigenous people or the so-called 'redskins'.

Therefore, the 4th of July cannot be glorified as some kind of anti-colonial revolution. It is just a collection of European whites, many from England itself wanting (egoistically) to oust the British and take over.

As for the French, the Spanish, Portuguese and the Dutch, all of them were tyrannical colonizers from Europe who mistreated the indigenous Amerindian people and mercilessly killed millions of them.

The fact is that since Britain seemed to be the winner in this colonizing game in the New Word, the other European powers were jealous and whenever possible tried to hurt British domi-

Therefore, the French alliance with the so called American revolutionaries cannot be considered as some kind of a noble gesture; it was purely self-interest based and a military strategy

A reflection of today's events with the US trying to asset global hegemony is proof of the fact that Washington has replaced London, or what used to be 'Great Britain', and hence the coining of the slogan "let us make America great again" by morally corrupt and intellectually bankrupt elements.

In other words, the US acts like the Britain of 1776 with a colonial mentality to control and conquer the world with the military occupation of scores of nations today and committing of crimes against humanity.

And this explains the US support for the killing of Palestinians by the illegal Zionist entity, its abduction of four Iranian diplomats on July 4, 1982 in Lebanon and their possible death under torture, and last but not the least the criminal downing of the Iranian passenger plane on July 3 1988 by Washington.

This is how the US celebrates its so-called independence by committing more and more crimes against humanity.

Quds Force Commander Gen. Qa'ani:

Palestinian Youths Slapped Zionists in the Face



Zionist troops drive APCs out of the occupied West Bank city of Jenin, during an Israeli military raid on Jenin refugee camp, July 4, 2023.

TEHRAN -- The commander of the Quds Force of Iran's Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) said Wednesday the Palestinian youth slapped the "miserable" occupying regime of Israel in the face during its military aggression on the West Bank city of Jenin.

Brigadier General Esmail Qa'ani made the remarks in a ceremony at the Islamic Azad University here, following Israel's deadly aerial and ground offensive against Jenin and its refugee camp.

"The Palestinians were never as powerful and strong as they are today. On the contrary, the criminal Israelis were never in trouble, division, and misery like they are now. The Palestinians learned the way to live and fight with dignity from the Islamic Revolution," he said.

"The Zionist regime deployed all its forces to the Jenin camp, but the Palestinian youth slapped it in the face. In some days, Palestinians carried out more than 30 operations in the West Bank against the Zionist regime.'

On Tuesday, the Zionist military withdrew its troops from Jenin, ending its two-day raid that martyred at least 12 Palestinians and injured some 100 others. The aggression drew a wave of condemnations from across the world.

The Jenin incursion was launched amid already elevated tensions across the West Bank, with the Israeli military conducting nearnightly raids against the Palestinian towns and the Palestinian people conducting retaliatory operations. Also in his remarks, the IRGC commander highlighted the correct path of resistance that led to

"Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei emphasizes that the cost of compromise is more than that of

Syria's success in a foreign-backed

resistance, it is really true. Today, resistance has proven itself in the defense field... Over 70 countries joined hands against Syria, but the resistance brought our president to Syria, where he put a golden seal in the book of resistance," he asserted, referring to Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi's visit to Syria

Iran was the first country to rush to Syria's aid following the 2011 outbreak of the campaign of militancy and destruction. In 2017, military advisory assistance provided by the Islamic Republic helped the Arab nation score a monumental victory over the Daesh terrorist

General Qa'ani also said that the Islamic Republic has exercised resistance in the political and economic fields and that it is teaching its successful experience to other

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Official Rejects Breaches in Cooperation With IAEA

TEHRAN -- The head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI) on Wednesday rejected claims that the organization has breached the law concerning its cooperation with the UN nuclear agency, saying the relationship is restricted to the safeguards agreement

"Our relations with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) are based on the safeguards agreement and the NPT, nothing more or less," Muhammad Eslami told a cabinet meeting here. He also dismissed accusations that the AEOI has violated a 2020 anti-sanction law in its March deal with the IAEA on bilateral engage-

The law, or the Strategic Action Plan to Counter Sanctions, was ap-December 2020 in a bid to counter illegal sanctions imposed on Iran by the United States and its Western allies. It required the Ira-

nian administration to restrict the IAEA inspections and accelerate the development of the country's nuclear program beyond the limits set under the 2015 U.S.-abandoned nuclear deal.

Under the legislation, some nuclear surveillance cameras, whose operations were deemed beyond proved by the Iranian parliament in Iran's obligations under the safeguards agreement, were removed from the country's nuclear plants.

Eslami once again rebuffed the (Continued on Page 7)

'Zionists Accountable for Fate of Missing Iranian Diplomats'

TEHRAN -- Iran on Wednesday called on international organizations to hold the occupying regime of Israel accountable for the fate of four Iranian diplomats kidnapped in Lebanon in 1982 and pave the way for punishing the perpetrators of the crime.

Iran's foreign ministry expressed sympathy with the families of its missing diplomats in a statement, commemorating the 41st anniversary of their abduc-

"Based on the 1949 Geneva Conventions..., the Islamic Republic of Iran holds the Zionist

regime and its supporters re-

sponsible for all aspects of the

kidnapping and the terrorist act given the fact that the incident took place during the occupation of Lebanon by Israel," it said.

Iran also "requests relevant international and human rights organizations to accept their legal and humanitarian responsibilities in this regard, take necessary measures to exert pressure on the Zionist regime, ... ensure its maximum cooperation towards shedding light on the fate of our loved ones, and provide the grounds for

punishing those behind the crime and the violation of international

On July 4, 1982, the year Is-

rael invaded Lebanon, Ahmad

Motevasselian, Seyyed Mohsen Mousavi, Taqi Rastegar Mogaddam and Kazem Akhavan were kidnapped by a group of Israel-backed gunmen at an inspection post in northern Lebanon.

Iran says the diplomats were abducted by Phalange militiamen and handed over to the Zionist re-The Iranian foreign ministry ex-

pressed dismay that despite the extensive political and legal efforts by the Lebanese government and international rights bodies, the attempts aimed at determining the fate of the four diplomats have been "inconclusive."

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Allah confirms those who believe with the sure word in this world's life and in the hereafter, and Allah causes the unjust to go astray, and Allah

does what He pleases.

PRAYER TIMINGS

03:09

Noon (Zohr)

The Holy Qur'an (14.2)

Evening(Maghreb) 19:44

Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow" 04:54

Sunrise "Tomorrow"

Iranian **FM Meets** Azerbaijani **President** in Baku

BAKU (Dispatches) Azerbaijan's President Ilham Aliyev and Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian have discussed mutual relations and leading regional and international

The meeting between Amir-Abdollahian and Aliyev took place on the sidelines of the Ministerial Meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

Aliyev said that his country will never allow its soil be used against the Islamic Republic and

He stressed the importance of relations between Azerbaijan and Iran, calling for further development of cooperation between the two countries.

He also expressed hope that those behind an attack on the Azerbaijani embassy in Tehran in January will be appropriately punished.

Aliyev said Azerbaijan welcomes the increasing dynamics of economic and trade relations

between Tehran and Baku. Amir-Abdollahian, for his part, conveyed the greetings of the Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi to Aliyev.

The minister touched on the willingness of the Iranian and Azerbaijani officials to expand bilateral relations.

He said Tehran and Baku have proven that they can overcome difficult challenges, adding the two countries are pursuing common goals by being realistic and relying on the existing extensive capacities in the field of coop-

Amir-Abdollahian said there is a positive dynamism regarding the economic ties between Tehran and Baku and their role is of high importance in developing the North-South corridor.

Speaking to reporters about his meeting with Aliyev on Wednesday, the Iranian minister said Iran views the security of Azerbaijan as its own. He touched on the attack on

the Azerbaijani embassy, saying investigations into the incident have been completed. "We agree with the authori-

ties of the friendly and brotherly country of Azerbaijan that the investigation of should be completed quickly. The most severe punishment awaits the assailant

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